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OF THE TOWN OF

# LANGDON

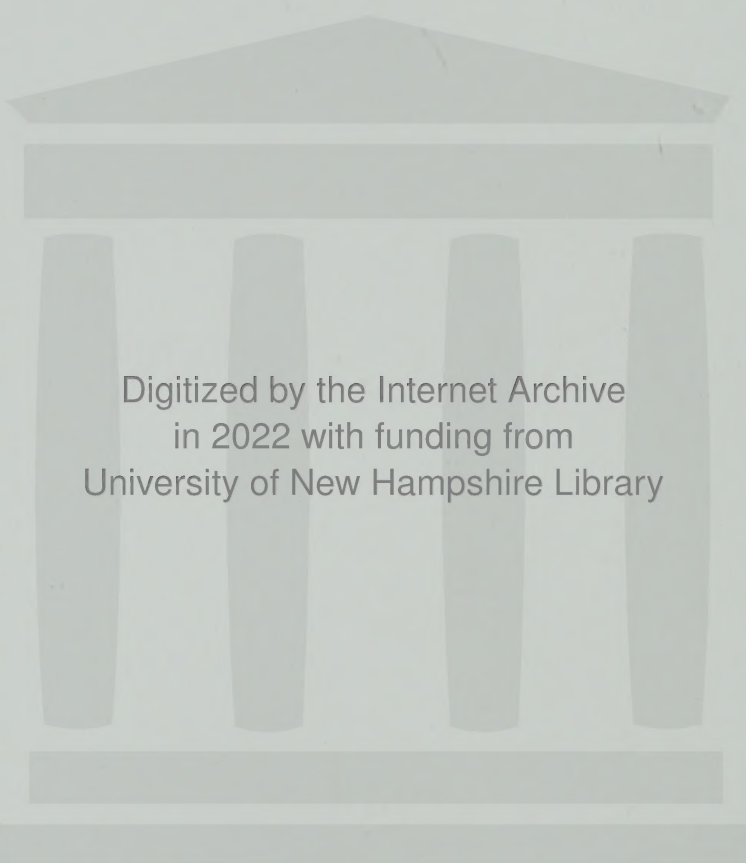
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## TOWN OF LANGDON OFFICERS OF 1953-1954

TOWN CLERK ..... Sydney H. Batchelder

SELECTMEN ..... Carroll A. Robbins

George A. Holmes

Arthur G. Marx

TREASURER ..... Walter H. Smith

TAX COLLECTOR ..... Kenneth M. Merrell

ROAD AGENT ..... Ernest F. Batchelder

SEXTON ..... Alcide Chaloux

LIBRARY TRUSTEES ..... Harriet Whitton

Alice Porter

Marion Holmes

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS ..... Walter Bornschein

Lydia Hatch

Harold Lamb

AUDITOR ..... George L. Porter

FENCE VIEWERS ..... Emery Hall

Fred Griggs

Walter Smith, Jr.

## SURVEYOR OF WOOD

BARK & LUMBER ..... Sidney Harris

CONSTABLE ..... Alcide Chaloux

FIRE CHIEF ..... George L. Porter



## TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Langdon, in the County of Sullivan and State of New Hampshire.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Langdon on Tuesday, the 9th day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles:

Art. 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will appropriate and authorize the selectmen to use the income, estimated to be \$3,817.55, from:

- a. Savings Bank Tax
- b. Interest and Dividends Tax
- c. Yield (Timber) Tax
- d. Reimbursements on Account of Growing Wood and Timber
- e. Dog Licenses
- f. Motor Vehicle Permit Fees
- g. Interest
- h. Rent of Town Buildings
- i. Miscellaneous
- j. Reimbursement for fighting forest fires

To defray Town Charges, estimated to be \$3,740.00, Town charges to include, but not being limited to:

- a. Town Officers' Salaries
- b. Town Officers' Expenses
- c. Election and Registration Expenses
- d. Printing Town Report
- e. Expenses of Town Hall and Other Town Buildings
- f. Police
- g. Bounties
- h. Damage by Dogs
- i. Insurance
- j. Vital Statistics
- k. Old Age Assistance
- l. Town Poor
- m. Aid to Disabled
- n. Interest
- o. Cemeteries

Art. 3. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate, to be used together with and in addition to the sum of \$1,179.42 Class V Maintenance Allotment, for the summer maintenance of highways and bridges.

Art. 4. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the winter maintenance of highways and bridges.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$351.92 and apply for Class V Assistance, T.R.A. so-called, the State to furnish \$2,346.16.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000.00 for Prentiss Bridge Reserve Fund, said sum to be used to pay for part of the Town's share of the cost of constructing the Prentiss Bridge so-called.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to join the S. W. N. H. Fire Mutual Aid System and appropriate \$5.00 for the annual dues.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Fire Dept. and for the purchase of fire fighting equipment; and authorize the Selectmen to pay over said sum to the Fire Department.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500.00 to reduce the principal amount of the note incurred for the purchase of the fire truck.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the Town Library.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the privilege of the use for one year of the Alstead Public Dump.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will authorize the imposition of a fine of 50 cents per month for the delinquent payment of dog licenses.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate to continue the repair of the South Cemetery fence.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept all Trust Funds of \$100.00 or more each, received for the perpetual care of cemetery lots.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 17. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Art. 18. To allow accounts.

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1953

	Amount Raised & Appropriated	Receipts & Reimburse- ments	Total Amount Available	Expendi- tures	Unexpend- ed Balance
Town Charges	\$	\$3,891.24	\$3,891.24	\$3,478.39	\$ 412.85
Town Roads					
Winter	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,453.45	346.55
Summer	3,200.00	1,179.42	4,379.42	4,353.20	26.22
T.R.A.	346.00		346.00	346.49	over draft .49
Bates Bridge Note	500.00		500.00	500.00	
Prentiss Bridge Res. Fund	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	
White Pine Blister Rust	200.00		200.00	200.00	
Fire Department	150.00		150.00	150.00	
Fire Truck Note	500.00		500.00	500.00	
Memorial Day	50.00		50.00	50.00	
Library	150.00		150.00	150.00	
Dump	50.00		50.00	50.00	
Repair of South Cemetery Fence	100.00		100.00	100.00	
Totals	\$8,546.00	\$5,070.66	\$13,616.66	\$12,831.53	\$785.13
School District	\$9,054.51			\$9,947.00	
County Tax	1,517.17			1,517.17	
Net Total Expenditures				\$24,295.70	
Taxes Bought at Tax Sale				\$1,962.10	
Payment of Anticipation Notes				3,000.00	
Head Taxes Paid to State				1,236.86	
Gross Total Expenditures				\$30,494.66	



# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953.

## SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1953	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1954
From State:			
Interest and dividends tax	\$ 900.00	\$1,316	\$1,300.00
Savings Bank Tax	70.00	72.67	70.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of growing wood and timber	400.00	—	460.16
For fighting forest fires		51.31	67.39
Class V highway maintenance	757.00	1,179.42	1,179.42
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog licenses	230.00	254.45	250.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	—	2.00	—
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	—	72.00	70.00
Interest received on taxes and deposits	130.00	221.96	200.00
Motor vehicle permit fees	1,295.00	1,498.13	1,400.00
Withdrawals from capital re- serve funds	—	—	1,500.00
Amount raised by issue of bonds or notes:			
Balance of Town's Share of Prentiss State Aid Bridge	—	—	1,500.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2.00	362.00	342.00	350.00
Total Revenues from All Sources except Property Taxes	\$4,144.00	\$5,010.51	\$8,346.97
Amt. to be Raised by Prop. Taxes			25,944.95
Total Revenues			\$34,291.92



## PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Appropriations Previous Year 1953	Actual Expenditures Year 1953	Estimated Expenditures Year 1954
Current Maintenance Expense:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 800.00	\$ 859.14	\$ 800.00
Town Officers' Expenses	200.00	167.48	200.00
Printing Town Reports	250.00	245.00	250.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other			
Town Buildings	500.00	422.14	500.00
Election and Registration Ex-			
penses	40.00	40.15	100.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	25.00	26.00	25.00
Fire Department	150.00	502.56	150.00
Moth Exterm., Blister Rust and			
Care of Trees	200.00	200.00	—
Insurance	—	—	275.00
Bounties	—	24.75	25.00
Health:			
Vital Statistics	15.00	10.50	15.00
Town Dump and Garbage Re-			
moval	50.00	50.00	50.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	4,379.42	4,353.20	4,400.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,800.00	1,453.45	1,800.00
Town Road Aid	346.00	346.49	351.92
Libraries	150.00	150.00	150.00
Public Welfare:			
Aid to Disabled	—	237.74	290.00
Town Poor	150.00	—	150.00
Old Age Assistance	800.00	747.78	800.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and Veterans'			
Assocs.	50.00	50.00	50.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	100.00	171.50	200.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	110.00	45.00	50.00
On Long Term Notes and			
Bonds	75.00	105.00	60.00

## Highways and Bridges:

State Aid Construction—			
Town's Share	_____	_____	5,000.00
New Equipment	_____	123.65	_____
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Long Term Notes	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00
Payment to Capital Reserve			
Funds	1,500.00	1,500.00	_____
Payments to Other Governmental			
Divisions:			
County Taxes	1,517.17	1,517.17	1,600.00
School Taxes	9,054.51	9,947.00	16,500.00
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Total Expenditures	\$23,262.10	\$24,295.70	\$34,291.92

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

## Inventory

Real Estate	\$383,810.00
Electric Lines	10,300.00
Horses (19)	870.00
Neatstock (68)	6,560.00
Gows (438)	48,190.00
Sheep (39) and Goats (3)	560.00
Fowl (4750)	5,130.00
Portable Mills (1)	1,000.00
Wood and Lumber—not stock in trade	670.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	480.00
Stock in Trade	400.00
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Total Valuation	\$457,970.00
Soldiers' Exemptions	22,270.00
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Net Valuation on which Tax is Assessed	\$435,700.00

### Appropriations

(Voted at Town Meeting, March 10, 1953)

Town Charges as Per Tax Comm.	\$3,265.00
Summer Highways	3,200.00
Winter Highways	1,800.00
T. R. A.	346.00
Bates Bridge Note—Final Payment	500.00
Prentiss Bridge Reserve Fund	1,500.00
White Pine Blister Rust	200.00
Support of Fire Dept.	150.00
To Reduce Note on Fire Truck	500.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Library	150.00
Dump	50.00
Cemetery—Fence Repair	100.00
School District	9,054.51
County Tax	1,517.17
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Total	\$22,382.68
Minus Estimated Revenues and Credits	3,730.80
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	18,651.88
Overlay	104.66
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	18,756.54
Poll Taxes	370.00
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Total Property Taxes Committed to	
Collector on which Tax Rate is Figured	\$18,386.54
Tax Rate	\$4.22

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF LANGDON**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953**

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief. Dated Feb. 8, 1954.

CARROLL A. ROBBINS

GEORGE HOLMES

ARTHUR G. MARX

Selectmen

WALTER H. SMITH

Treasurer

<b>Assets</b>	
Cash in hands of treasurer	\$ 7,513.48
Capital Reserve Funds:	
Construction of State Aid Bridge	1,500.00
Accounts due the Town:	
Bounties '51, '52, '53	35.75
Bal. of Grantham Fire Account	67.39
Reimbursement a/c Growing Wood and Timber	460.16
Unredeemed Taxes:	
Levy of 1952	1,041.71
Levy of 1951	408.18
Levy of Previous Years	63.12
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1953	4,151.40
Levy of 1952—Personal Property Tax	31.80
Poll Taxes—1953	86.00
State Head Taxes—Levy of 1953	225.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$15,683.99</b>
Excess of liabilities over assets	<hr/>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>15,683.99</b>
Net Surplus, December 31, 1952	1,096.56
Net Surplus, December 31, 1953	3,074.48
Increase of Surplus	1,977.92

**Liabilities**

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
State Head Taxes—1953	
Uncollected \$225.00—Collected but not remitted to State Treas. \$330.00	555.00
Due to School District: Balance of appropriation	9,054.51



Capital Reserve Funds:	
Offsets similar Asset account	1,500.00
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
#25 Due Mar. 11, 1957. Bal. due on Fire Engine	1,500.00
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Total Liabilities	\$12,609.51
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	3,074.48
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Grand Total	15,683.99

### Receipts

#### Current Revenue:

##### From Local Taxes: (Collected and remitted to Treasurer)

1. Property Taxes—current year	
1953—	\$14,231.35
2. Poll Taxes Current year—regular	
@ \$2—1953	276.00
3. State Head Taxes @ \$5—1953	882.00
4. Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted	15,389.35
5. Property and Yield Taxes—Previous Years	5,129.25
6. Poll Taxes, Previous Years regular at \$2	60.00
7. State Head Taxes at \$5, previous years	160.00
8. Interest received on taxes	221.96
9. Penalties on state head taxes	16.00
10. Tax Sales redeemed	1,866.97

##### From State:

For class V highway maintenance	1,179.42
Interest and dividend tax	1,316.57
Savings Bank and Building and Loan Assoc. tax	72.67
Fighting forest fires	51.31

##### From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	254.45
Business licenses, permits, filing fees	2.00
Rent of town property	72.00
Registration of motor vehicles, 1952 permits	94.96
Registration of motor vehicles, 1953 permits	1,403.17

##### Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	3,000.00
Gifts—for cemetery lot care	4.00
Misc. gravel	35.20

Fire assistance, Acworth and D. Libby	183.23	
Sale of cemetery lot	10.00	
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		3,232.43
Total Receipts from All Sources		30,522.51
Cash on hand January 1, 1953		7,485.63

Grand Total		\$38,008.14
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### Payments

#### Current Maintenance Expense:

##### General Government:

Town officers' salaries	859.14
Town officers' expenses	167.48
Election and registration expenses	40.15
Printing town reports	245.00
Expenses Town Hall and other Town Buildings	422.14

##### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	26.00
Fire department, including forest fires	502.56
Moth extermination—Blister Rust and care of trees	200.00
Bounties	24.75

##### Health:

Vital statistics	10.50
Dump and garbage removal, Town of Alstead	50.00

##### Highways and Bridges:

Town maintenance (summer \$4,353.20) (winter \$1,453.45)	5,806.65
Town road aid	346.49

##### Libraries:

Library	150.00
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##### Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	747.78
Aid to disabled	237.74

##### Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veteran's associations	50.00
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##### Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries, including hearse hire	171.50
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##### Unclassified:

Taxes bought by town	1,962.10
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Total Current Maintenance Expenses		12,019.98
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## Interest:

Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	45.00	
Paid on long term notes	105.00	
Total interest payments		150.00
Outlay for New Construction, Equipment and Permanent Improvements:		
New equipment	123.65	
Total Outlay Payments		123.65
Indebtedness:		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	3,000.00	
Payments on long term notes	1,000.00	
Payments to capital reserve funds	1,500.00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		5,500.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
State head taxes paid State Treasurer		
1953 taxes \$495—prior yrs. \$741.86	1,236.86	
Taxes paid to County	1,517.17	
Payments to School Districts 1952 tax	9,947.00	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		12,701.03
Total Payments for all Purposes		30,494.66
Cash on hand December 31, 1953		7,513.48
Grand Total		\$38,008.14

**Schedule of Town Property**

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$4,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	
Furniture and equipment	250.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	3,250.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	150.00
Equipment	1,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	8,000.00
Equipment	2,000.00

All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:

305 Acres, Blake Land	1,220.00
350 Acres, Halladay Land	1,400.00
100 Acres, Dodge lot Mining Rights	13.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$21,783.03</b>

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS**

**Town Officer's Salaries**

Kenneth M. Merrell, 2% of Head Taxes and Penalties Collected	\$ 11.62
Kenneth M. Merrell, Tax Collector's Salary for 1952	100.00
George L. Porter, Auditor's Salary for 1952	10.00
Carroll A. Robbins, Selectman's Salary for 1952	100.00
George A. Holmes, Selectman's Salary for 1952	100.00
Arthur G. Marx, Selectman's Salary for 1952	150.00
Kenneth M. Merrell, 2% of Head Taxes and Penalties	1.98
Sydney H. Batchelder, Town Clerk's Salary for 1953	50.00
Sydney H. Batchelder, Statistic Corrections	1.00
Sydney H. Batchelder, Registration Fees	135.50
Walter H. Smith, Treasurer's Salary for 1953 and Moderator	60.00
Kenneth M. Merrell, Tax Collector's Salary for 1953	100.00
Kenneth M. Merrell, 2% of 1952 Head taxes collected and 5% of 1953 Head Taxes Collected	29.04
George L. Porter, Auditor's Salary for 1953	10.00
	<b>859.14</b>

**Town Officers' Expenses**

Wheeler and Clark, 110 Dog Tags	7.72
Association of N. H. Assessors, Dues 1953	3.00
U. S. Auto and Truck Guide, '53 Sheets for Guide	7.00
Kenneth M. Merrell, 1952 Tax Meeting and Car	6.00
Wheeler and Clark, Selectmen's Stamp	3.67
Sargent Brothers, 200 Envelopes for Town Clerk	4.25
Tony O. Russell, Reporting Transfers and Mortgages	9.55
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc., 500 Town Vouchers and 30 Auditor's notices	12.71
<b>Leon M. Trow</b> , Town Officers' Bonds	<b>48.50</b>
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc., Tax Collector's Supplies	7.17



Sargent Brothers, 100 Envelopes for Town Clerk	3.50
Sargent Brothers, 200 Poll Tax Bills, 200 Property	8.10
Sydney H. Batchelder, Town Clerk's Expenses	2.00
George A. Holmes, Tax Meeting and Car, Road Meeting and Car	16.00
Arthur G. Marx, Tax Meeting and Surveying Town Line	10.00
Kenneth M. Merrell, Tax Meeting and Postage	9.80
Carroll A. Robbins, Tax Meeting, Envelopes, Postage and Phone	8.51
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	\$ 167.48

#### **Election and Registration**

Agnes M. Bryant, Supervisor of Checklist	8.10
Wm. Miller Co., 150 Ballots	9.30
Vermont Newspaper Corp., Notice of Election	6.55
Royal B. Holmes, Supervisor of Checklist	7.20
Henry J. Ormsby, Supervisor of Checklist	9.00
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	\$ 40.15

#### **Printing Town Reports**

The Model Press	245.00
<b>Town Hall and Other Town Buildings</b>	
S. R. Young, Town Hall Gas to 1/12/53	8.14
S. R. Young, Town Hall Gas to 2/11/53	1.25
S. R. Young, Town Hall Gas to 3/11/53	7.71
Leon M. Trow, Premium Fire Insurance	62.30
Rodney J. Campbell, Labor on Town Hall	176.10
George L. Porter, Lumber for Town Hall	15.20
Henry J. Ormsby, Painting Town Hall Ceiling	30.00
Granite State Electric Co., Electricity for year 1953	13.10
L. M. Pelton, Work on Town Hall Grounds	76.50
S. R. Young, Inc., Town Hall Gas from 3/11/53 to 11/14/53	15.53
Marx Hardware, Paint and Supplies for Town Hall	16.31
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	\$ 422.14

#### **Police**

Fred D. Hatch, Collecting Dog Licenses	6.00
Alcide L. Chaloux, Police Work	20.00
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	\$ 26.00

**Fire**

Alstead Fire Dept., P. Harrington Fire 11/13/52	\$ 26.75
Town of Alstead, Koson Brush Fire	30.26
George L. Porter, Libby Fire of 3/23/53	20.60
Chester C. Mason, Treas. Fire Dept. '53 Appropriation	150.00
George L. Porter, Acworth Fire and Grantham Fire	274.95
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	\$ 502.56

**Moth Extermination and Blister Rust**

William H. Messeck, Jr., '53 Blister Rust Appropriation	\$ 200.00
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**Bounties**

George A. Holmes: 5 Hedgehogs at .25, 34 at .50	\$ 18.25
Arthur G. Marx: 6 Hedgehogs at .50	3.00
Carroll A. Robbins: 7 Hedgehogs at .50	3.50
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	\$ 24.75

**Vital Statistics**

Sidney H. Batchelder, Recording Vital Statistics 1952	\$ 10.50
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**Dump**

Town of Alstead, Appropriation for use of Dump for Year '53	\$ 50.00
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**T. R. A.**

Treasurer State of N. H., Town Share T. R. A.	\$ 346.49
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**Library**

Library Trustee's, 1953 Appropriation	\$ 150.00
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**Old Age Assistance**

State of N. H., Labonta, John and Mabel Ring and Picknell—13 months. Spaulding 6½ months	\$ 747.78
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**Aid to Disabled**

State of N. H., Maude Davis—10 months	\$ 237.74
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**Memorial Day**

William Kemp, Finance Officer, '53 Appropriation	\$ 50.00
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**Cemeteries**

Walter Bornschein, Trustee, Appro. for Cemetery Fence	\$ 100.00
Alcide Chaloux, Cleaning Cemeteries	49.00
Alcide Chaloux, Mowing Hay in Cemetery	22.50
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	\$ 171.50

### Taxes Bought by Town

Kenneth M. Merrell, Tax Sale—'52 Levy	\$ 1,962.10
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#### Interest

Savings Bank of Walpole, Fire Truck note \$2,000	\$ 30.00
Savings Bank of Walpole, Fire Truck note \$2,000	60.00
Sidney D. Harris, Anticipation note \$3,000	45.00
Sidney D. Harris, Bates Bridge note \$500	15.00
	\$ 150.00

#### New Equipment

S. R. Young, Balance on Ceiling Heater in Town Hall	\$ 123.65
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#### Temporary Loans

Sidney D. Harris, Anticipation note	\$ 3,000.00
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#### Long Term Notes

Savings Bank of Walpole, Fire Truck note	\$ 500.00
Sidney D. Harris, Bates Bridge note, Final Payment	500.00
	\$ 1,000.00

#### State and County

State Treasurer Head Taxes and Penalties '52	\$ 569.38
State Treasurer Head Taxes and Penalties '52	97.02
State Treasurer Head Taxes and Penalties '52	70.07
State Treasurer Head Taxes '53	72.00
State Treasurer Head Taxes and Penalties '52	5.39
Merton J. Sargent '53 County Tax	1,517.17
State Treasurer, Head Taxes '53	423.00
	\$ 2,754.03

#### Capital Reserve Fund

Trustees of Trust Funds, Appropriation for Prentiss Bridge	\$ 1,500.00
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#### School District

Eva R. Smith, on '52-'53 Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00
Eva R. Smith, on '52-'53 Appropriation	947.00
Eva R. Smith, on '52-'53 Appropriation	3,000.00
Eva R. Smith, Bal. in full on '52-'53 Appropriation	3,000.00
	\$ 9,947.00

**TOWN HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE****Winter****January 17, 1953**

E. F. Batchelder and Truck—11 hrs. at \$3.30	\$ 36.30
Robert Batchelder—8 hrs. at \$1.00	8.00
Stanley Ring—3 hrs. at \$1.00	3.00
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—44 hrs. at \$3.30	145.20
Robert Batchelder—36 hrs. at \$1.00	36.00
Stanley Ring—24 hrs. at \$1.00	24.00
E. F. Batchelder & Truck—25 hrs. at \$3.30	82.50
Stanley Ring—9 hrs. at \$1.00	9.00
Robert Batchelder—12 hrs. at \$1.00	12.00
Ernest Batchelder, Jr.—32 hrs. at \$1.00	32.00
Tractor—2 hrs. at \$3.00	6.00
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	\$ 394.00

**February 7, 1953**

E. F. Batchelder and Truck—20 hrs. at \$3.30	\$ 66.00
Robert Batchelder—20 hrs. at \$1.00	20.00
Stanley Ring—3 hrs. at \$1.00	3.00
Ernest Batchelder, Jr.—6 hrs. at \$1.00	6.00
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—30 hrs. at \$3.30	99.00
Robert Batchelder—25 hrs. at \$1.00	25.00
Ernest Batchelder, Jr.—25 hrs. at \$1.00	25.00
Stanley Ring—3 hrs. at \$1.00	3.00
Alstead Garage—Labor on Plow	2.50
Fred Griggs and Tractor—4 hrs. at \$3.00	12.00
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	\$ 261.50

**March 16, 1953**

E. F. Batchelder and Truck—18 hrs. at \$3.30	\$ 59.40
Robert Batchelder—17 hrs. at \$1.00	17.00
Ernest Batchelder, Jr.—17 hrs. at \$1.00	17.00
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—28 hrs. at \$3.30	92.40
Robert Batchelder—27 hrs. at \$1.00	27.00
Ernest Batchelder, Jr.—14 hrs. at \$1.00	14.00
Stanley Ring—1 hr. at \$1.00	1.00
Sunshine Feed Store, 40 cwt. Road Salt	45.60
J. E. Faltin Express	2.05
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc.—3 Plow Shoes	33.75
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	\$ 309.20



**May 9, 1953**

E. F. Batchelder and Truck—11 hrs. at \$3.30	\$ 36.30
James Haskins—7 hrs. at \$1.00	7.00
Mark Baldwin—14 hrs. at \$1.00	14.00
William Batchelder—7 hrs. at \$0.75	5.25
Robert Batchelder—7 hrs. at \$1.00	7.00
Town of Alstead Plowing Snow	10.00

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\$ 79.55

**December 1, 1953**

Emery Hall—21½ hrs. at \$1.00	\$ 2.50
Robert Batchelder—28 hrs. at \$1.00	28.00
Harry Mazzie—39 hrs. at \$1.00	39.00
Milton Wright—35 hrs. at \$1.00	35.00
Lawrence Pelton—25 hrs. at \$1.00	25.00
Marx's Hardware	4.00
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—24 hrs. at \$3.30	79.20

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\$ 212.70

**December 12, 1953**

Alstead Garage—Labor on Plow and Wing Box	\$ 6.50
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—9 hrs. at \$3.30	29.70
Milton Wright—9 hrs. at \$1.00	9.00
Robert Batchelder—2 hrs. at \$1.00	2.00

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\$ 47.20

**December 31, 1953**

International Salt Co.—100 Bags Salt	\$ 102.00
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—Plowing, 7 hrs. at \$3.30	23.10
Milton Wright—Labor, 7 hrs. at \$1.00	7.00
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—4 hrs. at \$3.30	13.20
Milton Wright—Labor, 4 hrs. at \$1.00	4.00

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\$ 149.30

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Total Exp. Winter \$ 1,453.45

**Summer****April 6, 1953**

E. F. Batchelder and Truck—Graveling, 16 hrs. at \$3.30	\$ 52.80
Mark Baldwin—10 hrs. at \$1.00	10.00
Donald Woods and Truck—6 hrs. at \$3.30	19.80
A. R. Hodgkins Loading Gravel, 40½ yd.	12.15
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—30 hrs. at \$3.60	108.00
Robert Trask—Bulldozer, 30 hrs. at \$7.00	210.00

Royal Holmes—4 hrs. at \$1.00	4.00
Fred Carman—Shovel, 23 hrs. at \$8.00	184.00
Fred Carman—Truck, 24 hrs. at \$4.50	108.00
Balla & Sons—Truck, 25 hrs. at \$3.90	97.50
Almon Clark—Truck, 21 hrs. at \$3.60	75.60
Robert Batchelder—24 hrs. at \$1.00	24.00
Carroll Hatch—Truck, 11 hrs. at \$3.60	39.60
Fred Carman—1,354 Yds. Gravel at \$0.10	135.40

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\$ 1,088.85

**May 9, 1953**

E. F. Batchelder and Truck—16 hrs. at \$3.30	\$ 52.80
Robert Batchelder—8 hrs. at \$1.00	8.00
Royal Holmes—11½ hrs. at \$1.00	1.50
William Lamb—3½ hrs. at \$1.00	3.50
Mark Baldwin—8 hrs. at \$1.00	8.00
Alstead Grader—14½ hrs. at \$5.00	72.50

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\$ 146.30

**June 22, 1953**

E. F. Batchelder and Truck—14 hrs. at \$3.30	\$ 46.20
Robert Batchelder—14 hrs. at \$1.00	14.00
James Bolles—Loading Gravel	1.20
Mark Baldwin—12 hrs. at \$1.00	12.00
Ernest Batchelder, Jr.—1 hr. at \$1.00	1.00
Arthur Marx—Plank	3.00
E. F. Batchelder and Tractor—33 hrs. at \$3.00	99.00
Robert Batchelder—33 hrs. at \$1.00	33.00

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\$ 209.40

**June 22, 1953**

State of New Hampshire—6 Tons Calcium Chloride	\$ 150.00
Freight Charges on same	55.75

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\$ 205.75

**August 21, 1953**

Mark Baldwin—Cutting Brush, 12½ hrs. at \$1.00	\$ 12.50
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—10 hrs. at \$3.30	33.00
Robert Batchelder—10 hrs. at \$1.00	10.00
C. J. LaFrank—336 Ft. Plank	22.85
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—9 hrs. at \$3.30	29.70
Robert Batchelder—9 hrs. at \$1.00	9.00

Ernest Batchelder, Jr., and Tractor—4 hrs. at \$3.00	12.00
William Batchelder—4 hrs. at \$0.75	3.00
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\$	132.05

**October 12, 1953**

Berger Metal Culvert Co.	\$ 174.77
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—9 hrs. at \$3.30	29.70
Robert Batchelder—16 hrs. at \$1.00	16.00
Harry Mazzie—21 hrs. at \$1.00	21.00
E. F. Batchelder—8 hrs. at \$1.00	8.00
Carroll Robbins—31 hrs. at \$1.00	31.00
Milton Wright—35 hrs. at \$1.00	35.00
Harry Mazzie—33 hrs. at \$1.00	33.00
Emery Hall—17 hrs. at \$1.00	17.00
Town of Walpole—Truck, 2 hrs. at \$3.90	7.80
Town of Walpole—Truck, 2 hrs. at \$3.90	7.80
H. Stoddard—Truck, 2 hrs. at \$4.50	9.00
Edward Willete—Truck, 2 hrs. at \$3.90	7.80
Fred Carman—Truck, 2 hrs. at \$4.50	9.00
E. F. Batchelder—Truck, 2 hrs. at \$3.30	6.60
L. Balla—Truck, 2 hrs. at \$4.50	9.00
L. Balla—Truck, 2 hrs. at \$4.50	9.00
Robert Trask—Bulldozer, 2 hrs. at \$7.00	14.00
Fred Carman—Shovel, 2 hrs. at \$8.00	16.00
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\$	461.47

**October 26, 1953**

L. Balla—Truck, 4 hrs. at \$4.50	\$ 18.00
L. Balla—Truck, 6 hrs. at \$4.50	27.00
Fred Carman—Truck, 6 hrs. at \$4.50	27.00
E. F. Batchelder—Truck, 6 hrs. at \$3.30	19.80
Robert Batchelder—Labor, 6 hrs. at \$1.00	6.00
E. F. Batchelder—Labor, 6 hrs. at \$1.00	6.00
Robert Trask—Bulldozer, 6 hrs. at \$7.00	42.00
Fred Carman—Shovel, 6 hrs. at \$8.00	48.00
Carroll Robbins—Labor, 22 hrs. at \$1.00	22.00
Emery Hall—Labor, 24 hrs. at \$1.00	24.00
Harry Mazzie—Labor, 26 hrs. at \$1.00	26.00
S. Woods—Gravel	25.00
Robert Trask—Bulldozer, 23 hrs. at \$7.00	161.00
Fred Carman—Shovel, 23 hrs. at \$8.00	184.00
Fred Carman—Truck, 22 hrs. at \$4.50	99.00

L. Balla—Truck, 22 hrs. at \$3.90	85.80
Town of Walpole—Truck, 22 hrs. at \$3.90	85.80
Town of Walpole—Truck, 22 hrs. at \$3.90	85.80
Town of Charlestown—Truck, 22 hrs. at \$3.30	72.60
Ralph Willoughby—Truck, 22 hrs. at \$3.90	85.80
H. Stoddard—Truck, 22 hrs. at \$5.13	112.86
Ed. Willete—Truck, 22 hrs. at \$3.20	70.40
E. F. Batchelder—Truck, 25 hrs. at \$3.30	82.50
Robert Batchelder—Labor, 16 hrs. at \$1.00	16.00
Fred Carman—1,260 Yds. Gravel at \$0.10	126.00
E. F. Batchelder—Labor, 30 hrs. at \$1.00	30.00
Clifford Fales—24½ hrs. at \$1.33	32.58
Berger Metal Culvert Co.	33.44

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\$ 1,654.38

**December 1, 1953**

E. F. Batchelder and Truck—27 hrs. at \$3.30	\$ 89.10
Milton Wright—17 hrs. at \$1.00	17.00
Robert Batchelder—13 hrs. at \$1.00	13.00
Town of Alstead—Grader, 5 hrs. at \$5.00	25.00
Lawrence Pelton—8 hrs. at \$1.00	8.00
Harry Mazzie—3 hrs. at \$1.00	3.00
Fred Carman—Truck, 5 hrs. at \$4.50	22.50

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\$ 177.60

**December 12, 1953**

E. F. Batchelder and Truck—17 hrs. at \$3.30	\$ 56.10
Milton Wright—26 hrs. at \$1.00	26.00
Robert Batchelder—9 hrs. at \$1.00	9.00
Fred Carman—140 Yds. Gravel	42.00
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—9 hrs. at \$3.30	29.70
Milton Wright—9 hrs. at \$1.00	9.00
Robert Batchelder—6 hrs. at \$1.00	6.00

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\$ 177.80

**December 31, 1953**

Chester Mason, Posts and Fence	\$ 26.80
Robert Batchelder—Labor, 4 hrs. at \$1.00	4.00
Milton Wright—16 hrs. at \$1.00	16.00
E. F. Batchelder and Truck—16 hrs. at \$3.30	52.80

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\$ 99.60

Total Expense (Summer) \$ 4,353.20



## TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

### Fiscal Year of 1953

Jan. 1. Cash balance from previous year	\$ 7,485.63
State of New Hampshire—Reimb. forest fire account	6.38
State of New Hampshire—40% of forest fire account	44.93
State of New Hampshire—Maint. Class V Highways	1,179.42
State of New Hampshire—Interest and Dividend Tax	1,316.57
State of New Hampshire—Savings Bank Tax	72.67
S. D. Harris—Money borrowed in anticipation of taxes	3,000.00
Town of Acworth—Loading gravel	19.20
Town of Acworth—Fire assistance	162.63
Donald W. Libby—Reimb. for fighting fire	20.60
P. R. H. Washburn—Cemetery lot	10.00
G. A. Holmes, Sel.—Gift for cemetery care	4.00
G. A. Holmes, Sel.—Town Hall rent	72.00
Roger Pelton—Gravel	10.00
W. A. Bornschien—Gravel	6.00
S. H. Batchelder, Town Clerk—Auto Permits	1,498.13
S. H. Batchelder, Town Clerk—Dog Licenses	254.45
S. H. Batchelder, Town Clerk—Filing Fees	2.00
Kenneth Merrell, Tax Collector	
Regular Poll Taxes 1952	62.00
Interest on Taxes	.12
Regular Poll Taxes 1951	4.00
Interest on Taxes	.30
Head Taxes 1952	160.00
Penalties	16.00
Head Taxes 1953	880.00
Penalties	2.00
Property Taxes 1952	4,900.22
Interest on Taxes	73.65
Redeemed Tax Sales 1952	920.39
Interest on Taxes	22.43
Redeemed Tax Sale 1949	25.92
Interest on Taxes	5.72
Redeemed Tax Sales 1950	621.97
Interest on Taxes	84.86
Redeemed Tax Sales 1951	277.49
Interest on Taxes	23.29
Property Taxes 1953	14,231.35
Interest on Taxes	5.84

Personal Property Tax 1952	21.20
Interest on Taxes	.74
Poll Taxes 1953	276.00
Timber Tax	223.03
Interest on Taxes	5.01
Total Receipts Including Cash Balance from Previous yr.	\$38,008.14
Paid on Selectmen's Orders	\$30,494.66
Cash Balance on Hand at Close of Business December 31, 1953	\$ 7,513.48

Respectfully Submitted,  
WALTER H. SMITH  
*Treasurer*

### REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR LEVY OF 1953

#### Local Taxes

Original Warrant	
Property	\$18,386.55
Polls (185)	370.00
Interest	5.84
	\$18,762.39
Remittances to Treasurer	
Property	\$14,231.35
Polls (138)	276.00
Interest	5.84
Abatements	
Property	3.80
Polls (4)	8.00
Unpaid Polls (43)	86.00
Unpaid Property	4,151.40
	\$18,762.39

#### State Head Tax

Original Warrant (226)	\$ 1,130.00
Penalties (4)	2.00
	\$ 1,132.00
Taxes Collected (176)	\$ 880.00
Penalties (4)	2.00
Abated (5)	25.00
Uncollected (45)	225.00
	\$ 1,132.00

**Levy of 1952**

Warrant	\$22,501.54
Timber Tax	535.51
Unpaid Head Tax and Penalties added to Property Sale	27.50
Interest Paid	73.65
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	\$23,138.20
Property and Polls paid and abated Dec. 31, 1952	\$17,486.32
Timber Taxes paid Dec. 31, 1952	312.48
Paid after Dec. 31, 1952	
Property	3,172.24
Timber	223.03
Unpaid Personal Taxes	31.80
Property Taxes sold on Tax Sale	1,811.18
Unpaid Head Taxes and Penalties on Tax Sale	27.50
Interest Paid	73.65
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	\$23,138.20

**Report of Tax Sales**

Unredeemed as given in last Report and 1952 Tax Sale  
Amounts on Tax Sales

	1952	1951	1950	1949
Jan. 1, 1953	\$1,962.10	\$689.67	\$672.43	\$38.58
Interest Collected	5.36	23.59	84.86	5.72
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	\$1,967.46	\$713.26	\$757.29	\$44.30
Redeemed in 1953				
Taxes Redeemed	\$ 920.39	\$281.49	\$621.97	\$25.92
Interest Collected	5.36	23.59	84.86	5.72
Uncollected	1,041.71	408.18	50.46	12.66
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	\$1,967.46	\$713.26	\$757.29	\$44.30

**REPORT OF THE AUDITOR**

This is to certify that the accounts and records of all officials of the Town of Langdon charged with the custody, receipt, and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and pay rolls, as well as the entries in the book of records. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. All records are correct to the best of my knowledge.

GEORGE L. PORTER  
Auditor Town of Langdon

### LANGDON TOWN LIBRARY REPORT 1953

The librarian and trustees wish to thank the following for gifts of books and magazines: Mrs. Mary W. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kendall, Mrs. John Spaulding, Mrs. Clyde Cotton, Sydney Batchelder, Mrs. Fred Hatch, Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Washburn, Mrs. Raymond Seward, Miss Harriet Whitton and Mrs. Holzinger.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department held two drills per month from April through November.

One 50 foot length of 2½ inch hose was purchased. New overload springs were installed on the front end of the Fire Truck to help hold the weight of the pump. A new battery was purchased for the Fire Truck. A siamese connection was presented the Department; thus enabling us to stretch out the 2½ inch line by running a double line of 1½ inch and connecting back again into 2½ inch.

A supper was run successfully on January 23rd and many thanks are hereby extended to the ladies who helped us with it.

More men could be profitably used at the bi-monthly Fire Drills.

GEORGE L. PORTER, Fire Chief.

### LANGDON FIRE DEPARTMENT

#### Fiscal Year 1953

#### Credits:

Balance on hand Jan. 1	\$	36.00
1953 appropriation		150.00
Mary W. Porter Service Payment		5.00
George L. Porter; Reimbursement on		
Acworth fire:		
Pump—7 hrs.	\$	17.50
Lost Y		30.00
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	\$	47.50
Insurance dues		15.00
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	\$	253.50

#### Expenses:

Alstead Garage: Gas, oil, insp., etc.	\$	18.81
Justin A. McCarthy Co.:		
Hose	\$	82.50
Y valve		49.96
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	\$	132.46

Henry T. Provo:

Insurance and dues state ass'n	\$ 15.00
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	\$ 166.27
Balance Dec. 31	87.23
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	\$ 253.50

### FOREST FIRE REPORT

We again passed a year without any serious forest fire. I cannot over emphasize the tremendous cost to a town of a bad forest fire. The Town's people, I feel sure, by their care in avoiding careless burning, have saved themselves a lot of tax money. Luck has something to do with this, too, because the most costly fires in other towns in the State were started by lightning.

Your Forest Fire Crew, however, have served on these other fires and gained some valuable experience. These services went on through a period totalling about four weeks and included work in Acworth, Grantham, Plainfield, and Jaffrey. The men involved included, beside the Warden, Royal Holmes, Ben Porter, Fred Hatch, Bill Kemp, Vernard Hurd, Everett Bragg, and Sumner Hurd, Jr. The Town Forest Fire pump was used at Acworth and the telephones were used at Acworth and Grantham.

Some of these men, who are also State Special Deputies, served in an administrative capacity. These jobs included Fire Boss, Sector Boss, Information Officer, Communications Officer, Pump Boss, Personnel Officer, Scout, and Supply Officer.

GEORGE L. PORTER, Forest Fire Warden



# LANGDON SCHOOL DISTRICT

## LANGDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

### OFFICERS AND SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL

Moderator  
George A. Holmes

Clerk  
Pauline Durling

#### School Board

Members	Term Expires
Arthur G. Marx, Chairman	1954
Walter H. Smith, Jr.	1955
Arthur Gude	1956

Treasurer  
Eva R. Smith

Auditor  
May B. Holmes

Teachers	
Miss Cleo Duncan	Grades 1-2
Mr. Francis Usher	Grades 3-6

Union Clerk  
Mrs. Marion O. Bradish

School Nurse  
Miss Florence MacIver

Superintendent of Union No. 5  
Mr. Ralph Meacham

## SCHOOL WARRANT

### State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of The School District in the Town of Langdon qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the ninth (9th) day of March 1954, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, and Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools and payment of tuition, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund, together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Langdon this 19th day of February, 1954.

ARTHUR G. MARX  
WALTER H. SMITH, JR.  
ARTHUR J. GUDE  
School Board

A true copy of warrant—attest:

ARTHUR G. MARX  
WALTER H. SMITH, JR.  
ARTHUR J. GUDE  
School Board

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGET

	Actual Expend- itures 1952-53	Estimated Expend- itures 1953-54	Budget 1954-55
Administration			
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 145.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00
2. Supt's Salary (Local Share) *	193.10	122.50	155.00
3. Tax for Statewide Supervision	162.00	170.00	162.00
4. Salaries of Other Admin. Pers.	70.00	78.75	95.00
5. Supplies and Expenses	93.65	131.25	136.25
Instruction			
6. Prin. and Teachers' Salaries	4,800.00	5,144.50	6,100.00
7. Books and Other Instruct. Aids	152.83	189.89	175.00
8. Scholars' Supplies	320.73	250.00	225.00
9. Salaries of Clerical Assist.			
10. Supplies and Other Expenses	21.84	25.00	25.00
Operation of School Plant			
11. Salaries of Janitors	182.00	250.00	250.00
12. Fuel or Heat	274.96	300.00	300.00
13. Water, Light, Supplies and Exp.	155.25	125.00	150.00
Maintenance of School Plant			
14. Repairs and Replacements	151.41	100.00	150.00
Auxiliary Activities			
15. Health Supervision	154.98	204.25	287.13
16. Transportation	1,100.00	1,500.00	1,775.00
17. Tuition	5,462.61	7,675.53	11,390.00
18. Special Act. and Spec. Funds		2,162.50	50.00
Fixed Charges			
19. Retirement	138.39	341.00	432.25
20. Insurance, Tr. Bond and Exp.	5.00	163.75	225.00
Capital Outlay			
21. Land and New Buildings			
22. Additions and Improv. to Bldgs.			238.55
23. New Equipment	399.05	36.29	
24. Pmts. into Capital Res. Fund			
Debt and Interest			
25. Principal of Debt			
26. Interest on Debt			
Total Expenditures or Approp.	\$13,982.80	\$19,105.21	\$22,456.18
Balance (Actual or Estimate)	1,600.41	15.01	
	\$15,583.21	\$19,120.22	\$22,456.18
	Receipts	Receptits	Budget
Balance (Actual or Estimate)	\$ 503.02	\$ 1,600.41	\$ 15.01
State Aid	3,357.05	6,358.83	5,650.54
Other	276.14	2,106.47	
District Assessment	11,447.00	9,054.51	16,790.63
	\$15,583.21	\$19,120.22	\$22,456.18

**\* SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY  
1952-1953**

Acworth	\$ 186.33
Charlestown	1,197.88
Cornish	505.77
Croydon	159.72
Goshen	133.10
Langdon	133.10
Lempster	133.10
Unity	212.95
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	\$2,661.95
State share	2,275.00
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	\$4,936.95

**LANGDON PUPIL ENROLLMENTS**

1953-54

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	High	Totals
Langdon	15	13	2	8	7	5				50
Alstead	3	1			3	2	6	5	20	40
Charlestown					1				2	3
Walpole										—
Totals	18	14	2	8	11	7	6	5	22	93

1954-55—Estimated

Langdon	5	15	13	2	8	7				50
Alstead	3	3	1	1		3	8	6	23	48
Charlestown						1			1	2
Totals										<hr/> 100

Approximate per pupil costs:

1953-54      \$184

1954-55      \$225

## TUITION LIST

### 1953-54

#### Alstead, Elementary:

Francis Chase, 1  
 John Holzinger, 1  
 Raymond Ring, 1  
 Kathleen Wood, 2  
 Diane Morrison, 3  
 Randee Marx, 5  
 Laura Mason, 5  
 Rita Wood, 5  
 Donna Morrison, 6  
 Marjorie Wood, 6  
 Shelley Wood, 6  
 Christine Owen, 7  
 Roger Pelton, 7  
 William Pelton, 7  
 Stephen Robie, 7  
 John Scanlon, 7  
 Richard Wood, 7  
 Lillian Barton, 8  
 Patricia Batchelder, 8  
 William Gilbert, 8  
 Thomas Marx, 8  
 Sandra Robie, 8

#### Charlestown, Elementary:

Warren Newcomb, 5

#### Alstead, High:

Bernardette Burke, 9  
 Everett Bragg, 9  
 Joanne Campbell, 9  
 Madeline Edson, 9  
 William Harrington, 9  
 Marjorie Hurd, 9  
 Francis Pelton, 9  
 Jacqueline Robie, 9  
 Joan Bugbee, 10  
 Patricia Burke, 10  
 William Batchelder, 11  
 Virginia Campbell, 11  
 Norris Edson, 11  
 Sumner Hurd, 11  
 Vernard Hurd, 11  
 Marilyn Robie, 11  
 Marion Tuthill, 11  
 William Wood, 11  
 Muriel Campbell, 12  
 Dorothy Merrill, 12

#### Charlestown, High:

Phillip Newcomb, 10  
 Nancy Newcomb, 12



# **DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS**

**July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953**

**Administration:**

**Salaries of District Officers:**

Eva R. Smith, Treasurer	\$ 25.00
May Holmes, Auditor	5.00
Arthur Gude, School Board	60.00
Arthur Marx, School Board	30.00
Walter Smith, Jr., School Board	25.00
Superintendent's Salary (Local Share)	193.10
Tax for Statewide Supervision	162.00

**Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel:**

Supervisory Union Clerk	70.00
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**Supplies and Expenses:**

Rent and Costs of Union Office	93.65
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**Instruction:**

**Teachers' Salaries:**

Dorothy Wilson	\$2,500.00
Cleo Duncan	2,300.00

Books and Other Instructional Aids	152.83
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Scholars' Supplies	320.73
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Supplies and Other Expenses	21.84
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\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 5,295.40

**Operation of School Plant:**

Salaries of Janitor	\$182.00
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Fuel or Heat	274.96
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Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses	155.25
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\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 612.21

**Maintenance of School Plant:**

Repairs and Replacements	\$151.41
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**Auxiliary Activities:**

Health Supervision	\$154.98
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**Transportation:**

Leroy Clark	600.00
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Charlestown School District	500.00
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**Tuition:**

**High School:**

Alstead School District	\$2,612.61
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Walpole School District	350.00
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Charlestown School District	450.00
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Town of Rockingham	175.00
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Elementary:		
Alstead School District	1,750.00	
Charlestown School District	125.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,717.59
Fixed Charges:		
Retirement	\$138.39	
Insurance, Treasurer's Bonds	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 143.39
Capital Outlay:		
New Equipment	\$399.05	
	<hr/>	\$ 399.05
Total Payments for all Purposes		<hr/> \$13,982.80

**REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER**  
**For year ending June 30, 1953**

Cash on hand July 1, 1952	\$ 503.02
Receipts:	
Selectmen Appropriation	11,447.00
State Treasurer—Education and Equalization Fund	3,357.05
Congregational Church—9 Sundays, rent school room	9.00
George Holmes—Purchased coal from school	150.00
Ira Huntley—Tuition for Marcia Huntley	100.00
Charles Scribner—Refund	17.14
Total Receipts	<hr/> \$15,583.21
Disbursements:	
Paid on school board orders	\$13,982.41
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Cash Balance on Hand June 30, 1953	\$1,600.80

Respectfully submitted,  
EVA R. SMITH, Treasurer

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the 'School Board of Langdon for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953 and find them correctly cast and properly vouched to the best of my knowledge.  
July, 1953

MAY B. HOLMES, Auditor  
Langdon School District

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Langdon, I herewith submit my second annual report as Superintendent of Schools:

More "aeroplane" type desks were purchased to complete the replacement of older style desks in the primary room. The separate chair-desk type units were purchased for the intermediate room. New curtains were purchased, desk-tops refinished and hot water installed, as well as a new drinking fountain.

Due to an increase in enrollment and a revision of the transportation system, it was necessary to continue to use a few of the old desks.

The heavy influx of pupils in the first and second grades made it necessary to move the fourth grade into the intermediate room.

Mr. Francis Usher was employed to replace Mrs. Dorothy Wilson who resigned. Mr. Usher is a graduate of Keene Teachers College and taught one year in Rockville, Maryland.

The pupils have responded very readily to an increased program of physical education which Mr. Usher has been able to provide.

Mrs. Floris Batchelder was employed to teach and supervise music instruction. This has meant a continuation of group instrumental instruction following the rhythm band activities of the primary grades provided by Miss Duncan.

Miss Duncan has acted as principal in addition to her teaching duties. The stimulation and acquisition of fundamentals, as provided by Miss Duncan in the most impressive years of a child's life, will assure many boys and girls of a sound training in study habits that will benefit them throughout their educational experiences.

With Alstead beginning to feel the effects of an increased school enrollment, Langdon must begin to consider possible expansion of the present building to meet its own problem in the next few years.

I again wish to thank you for your cooperation and support of the school activities and, in particular, I appreciate the work of the school board in assuming responsibilities that would otherwise consume my time. Building programs are now being carried out and considered in Cornish, Unity, Lempster, Goshen and Groydon. These have involved many hours on the part of the superintendent, and I am sure the people in these communities appreciate your indulgence at this time.

Respectfully submitted,  
RALPH H. MEACHAM, Superintendent

## SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

Good health has been defined as "a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and the foundation of joyous, zestful living." This is the goal for which we are striving in our school health program.

Our school health program is carried out through the cooperation of the state, the local administrative staff of the schools, the teaching personnel, the parents, the pupils and the school nurse.

Our first concern is for the physical well-being of our children. The child who has some physical defect, no matter how minor, and is not given the benefit of needed medical care, certainly cannot be the happy child we would like him to be.

Routine inspections which are conducted in every school by your school nurse serve as a screening. These inspections consist of heights, weights, general condition, appearance, vision and hearing tests. If any defect is observed, a notice is sent home to the parents of the child. These notices in no way serve a diagnostic purpose. Your school nurse reports symptoms only. A reply to the notice, by the parents, is most desirable. If no reply is made, or if the parents request the nurse's assistance, she in turn makes a home visit to determine how she may best assist the parents in obtaining care for the child.

Many organizations—federal, state, and local service organizations—stand ready to help in providing the necessary care for our children. If financial assistance is needed for eye care, service organizations such as the Rotary and Lion's Clubs are very generous and helpful. The Sight Conservation Program, which is sponsored by the State Department of Public Welfare, is also available. Our same service organizations are also very interested in our hearing difficulties. There again, state assistance is available through the Crippled Children's Services. If the loss of hearing is due to a congenital abnormality which may be corrected, Crippled Children's Services will authorize treatment. Funds for hearing aids are not available through this service. We are dependent upon the N. H. Hearing Society, welfare agencies and service organizations for assistance in the purchase of hearing aids.

In the case of the retarded child or the child who has great difficulty in adjusting himself to school and his environment, the Child Guidance Clinic, under Dr. Philbrick, is available as a diagnostic clinic.

These are only a few of the many agencies which stand ready to assist our children whenever the need arises. They assume a share in the responsibility of keeping our children healthy, happy and well-adjusted.

The cooperation of each one of us is the important factor in the success of our health program.

In conclusion, I would like to thank each one of you for your interest and your help in carrying out this important program.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE MACIVER, School Nurse

## NOTES



# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1953

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Amt. of Prin.	Balance Beginning of Year	Rate of Interest	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year
1904	Henry Prentiss	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	\$ 200.00	\$ 4.82	2½	\$ 5.00	\$ 4.50	\$ 5.32
1907	Mary E. Holden	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	100.00	2.94	2½	2.50	2.94	2.50
1908	Martha Ann Bowles	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	100.00	1.34	2½	2.50	1.34	2.50
1911	Elisha Garfield	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	100.00	1.81	2½	2.50	1.81	2.50
1915	Charles Winch	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.16	3	3.02	3.00	3.18
1916	Mary Sartwell	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	200.00	5.72	3	6.05	5.50	6.27
1916	Edmond Walker	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	200.00	4.29	2½	5.00	4.00	5.29
1918	Leander G. Hill	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	200.00	4.00	2½	5.00	4.00	5.00
1919	Sibel Guild	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	200.00	6.40	2½	5.00	6.00	5.40
1919	Gilsum Walker	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	200.00	5.00	2½	5.00	5.00	5.00
1921	Mary P. Jeffs	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	200.00	4.00	2½	5.00	4.00	5.00
1921	Catherine B. Holmes	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	.75	3	1.50	.75	1.50
1922	Melissa Smith	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.54	3	3.02	3.50	3.06
1923	Mary E. Stanley	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	2.28	3	3.02	2.28	3.02
1923	Cram and Hutchins	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	125.00	2.83	2½	3.13	2.50	3.46
1923	Joseph F. Tarble	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	75.00	1.88	2½	1.87	1.88	1.87
1923	Ira W. Kingsbury	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	208.00	8.17	3	6.29	8.00	6.46
1926	Henry Bates	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	.75	3	1.50	.75	1.50
1927	Samuel K. Upton	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	4.89	3	3.02	4.70	3.21
1927	Holden Winch	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	150.00	9.77	3	4.53	9.50	4.80
1927	Frank A. Carpenter	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	.75	3	1.50	.75	1.50
1928	Etta V. Clark	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	2.80	3	3.02	2.80	3.02
1928	Roswell Huntton	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	4.50	3	3.02	4.50	3.02
1929	Robert C. Huntley	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	4.84	3	3.02	4.50	3.36
1929	Ira Davidson	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	100.00	.56	2½	2.50	.56	2.50
1931	Sidney Wiley	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	.75	3	1.50	.75	1.50

1936	Chas. S. Edgerton	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	300.00	11.32	2 1/2	7.50	11.00	7.82
1936	Fred W. Dodge	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	100.00	.01	2 1/2	2.50	.01	2.50
1938	Marshall F. Bragg	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	100.00	1.09	2 1/2	2.50	1.09	2.50
1938	Herbert A. Holmes	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	150.00	6.30	3	4.53	6.00	4.83
1939	Sarah A. Porter	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	200.00	6.50	2 1/2	5.00	6.50	5.00
1939	Walker Knight Porter	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series G	200.00	11.63	2 1/2	5.00	11.00	5.63
1940	Norman Adams	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	4.29	3	3.02	4.00	3.31
1943	Henry & Achash Royce-Smith	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	45.00	.70	3	1.36	.70	1.36
1943	George Jenna	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	.75	3	1.50	.75	1.50
1943	Samuel Slader	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	95.00	4.06	3	2.87	4.00	2.93
1943	Orville Pierce	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	2.29	3	3.02	2.29	3.02
1944	George & Rebecca Goodnow	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	4.29	3	3.02	4.00	3.31
1944	John Lamb	Cemetery Care	6th War Loan Bond	100.00	2.50	2 1/2	2.50	2.50	2.50
1945	William & Mary Roberts	Cemetery Care	7th War Loan Bond	100.00	.79	2 1/2	2.50	.79	2.50
1945	Dean Russell	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	150.00	6.06	3	4.53	6.00	4.59
1945	Roy W. Gardner	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	4.29	3	3.02	4.00	3.31
1946	George W. Ramsey	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.80	3	3.02	3.50	3.32
1948	Daniel & Joseph Davis	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	200.00	8.14	3	6.05	8.00	6.19
1950	Daniel & Agnes Bryant	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	1.71	3	3.02	1.71	3.02
1950	Alice & Nancy Kingsbury	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	2.04	3	3.02	2.00	3.06
1950	Eli L. Wilson	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	1.90	3	3.02	1.00	3.92
1952	Sydney D. Harris	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	150.00	3.40	3	4.53	3.40	4.53
1952	Jesse Pickering	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	1.50	3	3.02	1.50	3.02
1953	Samuel W. & James S. Prouty	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	200.00	—	3	.50	—	.50
1953	Catherine Ford Washburn	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	500.00	—	3	—	—	—
Totals				\$6,793.00	\$181.90		\$169.56	\$175.55	\$175.91

This is to certify that I have this day examined the accounts of the Trustees of Trust Funds of the Town of Langdon and find them correct and properly vouched to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. A. BORNSCHNEIN, Trustee

GEORGE L. PORTER,  
Auditor, Town of Langdon.

# TOWN OF LANGDON VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1953

BIRTHS REGISTERED in the Town of Langdon for the year ending December 31, 1953

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Feb. 28	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Gwendolyn Sophie Kmiec	Joseph Stanley Kmiec	Mildred Mary DeMond
June 20	Bellows Falls, Vt.	John Warren Wilder	William Earl Wilder, Jr.	Marion Anetta Campbell
Aug. 18	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Kathryn Theresa Lucier	Edward Arthur Lucier	Evelyn Catherine Cote
Oct. 1	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Gary Allan Jones	Maurice Gardner Jones	Hilda Christine Bragg

MARRIAGES REGISTERED in the Town of Langdon for year ending December 31, 1953

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom & Bride	Age	Residence	By Whom Married
Feb. 21	Campton, N. H.	Herbert Harry Holmes	24	Langdon, N. H.	Rev. Albert D. Bolster
June 20	Alstead, N. H.	Lois Ann Kezer	22	Campton, N. H.	Campton, N. H.
		Erwin Walter Ward	23	Langdon, N. H.	Rev. Clifford G. Stetson
Sept. 10	Langdon, N. H.	Miriam Anne Dustin	18	Alstead, N. H.	Springfield, Vermont
		Ivan Leroy Horton	29	Milan, Mich.	Rev. Curry M. Spidell
		Phyllis Irene Stebbins	32	Milan, Mich.	Milan, Michigan

DEATHS REGISTERED in the Town of Langdon for the the year ending December 31, 1953

Date	Place of Death	Name	Age	Birthplace
Aug. 8	Alstead, N. H.	Emily D. Prouty	89	Alstead, N. H.
Aug. 16	Brunswick, Maine	David Paul Cook	1 day	Brunswick, Maine
Aug. 28	Langdon, N. H.	Arthur Edgar Gallagher, Sr.	59	Concord, N. H.
Oct. 13	Alstead, N. H.	Catherine Ford Washburn	66	Waterloo, N. Y.
Nov. 8	Charlestown, N. H.	John Victor Kazmierczak	25	Langdon, N. H.
Nov. 10	White Plains, N. Y.	Beatrice Winch	49	Concord, N.H.

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SYDNEY H. BATCHELDER Town Clerk of Langdon



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